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First Selectman

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Monday, April 27, 2009
Crystal Lake School - Cafeteria

SELECTMEN PRESENT: Laurie Burstein, Peter Charter, Ann Harford, A. Leo Miller,
Michael Stupinski and John Turner

SELECTMAN ABSENT: James Prichard

OTHERS PRESENT: Mark Mickiewicz, Cathy Greene, Monique Burns, Jean Burns,
Bill and Char Merson, Judy and Dave Gauthier, Al Breton,
Jonathan Allen, Donald Davis, Victor Laptick, Steve Smith,
Reminder News

PUBLIC HEARING: CRYSTAL LAKE SAILING CLUB FOR REGATTA PERMIT

First Selectman Michael Stupinski opened the public hearing at 7:30 p.m. and read the **attached** legal notice.

Comments: Cathy Greene stated that she is a member of the Crystal Lake Sailing Club and is available for questions. Mr. Stupinski added that this is a popular, well-conducted, annual event that is enjoyed by many residents.

Hearing no further comments, Mr. Stupinski closed the public hearing at 7:32 p.m.

Board of Selectmen:

I. CALL TO ORDER:

First Selectman Stupinski called the meeting of the Board of Selectmen (BOS) to order at 7:33 p.m.

II. CITIZENS' FORUM:

Cathy Greene, 106 West Shore Road, asked how the renovations are progressing on the Old Crystal Lake School House. The Crystal Lake Association (CLA) had booked the Crystal Lake School to hold a meeting there and they received a letter stating that it could not be used. The CLA was able to book another location; however would like to know the

status of the Old Crystal School House so the CLA can hold its meetings there. Mr. Stupinski advised that due to budget cuts, there is only \$80,000 of the needed \$150,000 available for renovations at this time. The intent was to use the \$80,000 to continue the work so that the School House would be useable, even though it would not be finished, but the Director of Public Works feels that this is not feasible. Therefore, Mr. Stupinski noted that the Old Crystal Lake School House will not be ready for use at least through fiscal year 2009-2010.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A. March 9, 2009 Board of Selectmen Meeting:

MOVED (HARFORD), SECONDED (CHARTER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 9, 2009.

B. March 13, 2009 Board of Selectmen Special Emergency Meeting:

MOVED (HARFORD), SECONDED (CHARTER) AND PASSED (HARFORD, BURSTEIN, MILLER AND TURNER VOTED – AYE) TO APPROVE THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN SPECIAL EMERGENCY MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 13, 2009. (CHARTER – ABSTAINED)

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

V. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Tax Refunds/Abatements:

MOVED (CHARTER), SECONDED (MILLER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE TAX REFUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,295.84, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE TAX COLLECTOR AND AS SPECIFIED IN THE REFUNDS/ABATEMENT STATEMENT FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2009. **(Attached)**

B. Crystal Lake Sailing Club Regatta Permit Application:

MOVED (CHARTER), SECONDED (MILLER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE 2009 APPLICATION FOR A REGATTA PERMIT, AS REQUESTED BY THE CRYSTAL LAKE SAILING CLUB.

C. Award Contract – Preparation of Small Cities Grant Application:

Mr. Miller noted that there were some changes in the procedures of the proposal from Community Opportunities Group Inc., but that he had no objections to them. Mr. Stupinski noted that this is the only bid received and he feels comfortable that this group is doing a good job.

MOVED (CHARTER), SECONDED (MILLER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO AWARD THE CONTRACT FOR THE FY 2009 SMALL CITIES GRANT APPLICATION PREPARATION AND PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION TO COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITIES GROUP, INC., BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS, AS SPECIFIED IN THE PROPOSAL AND CONTINGENT UPON THE GRANT BEING AWARDED.

D. Set Public Hearing – FY 2009-2010 Small Cities Grant:

Mr. Stupinski pointed out that this is the same date as the May BOS meeting, and will take place just prior to that meeting.

MOVED (CHARTER), SECONDED (MILLER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON MONDAY, MAY 18, 2009 AT 7:30 P.M. AT THE ELLINGTON TOWN HALL FOR THE PURPOSE OF ALLOWING CITIZENS TO COMMENT UPON AND DISCUSS THE FY 2009-10 SMALL CITIES GRANT APPLICATION.

E. Establish Ad Hoc Crystal Lake Milfoil Committee:

Mr. Charter asked if after the approval of this motion, would these positions be advertised and then appointed at the May meeting. Mr. Stupinski stated that this is correct.

MOVED (CHARTER), SECONDED (MILLER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ESTABLISH AN AD HOC CRYSTAL LAKE MILFOIL COMMITTEE TO ACT AS COORDINATOR/PROJECT MANAGER BETWEEN THE CONTRACTOR AND THE TOWN FOR THE REMOVAL OF MILFOIL AT CRYSTAL LAKE; TO BE THE CUSTODIANS OF ANY EQUIPMENT PURCHASED, DONATED OR CONSTRUCTED FOR THE REMOVAL OF MILFOIL; TO WORK CLOSELY WITH THE CRYSTAL LAKE ASSOCIATION IN DETERMINING CORRECT METHODS FOR MILFOIL REMOVAL; AND TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS RELATING TO MILFOIL MAINTENANCE/CONTROL. SAID COMMITTEE SHALL CONSIST OF FIVE MEMBERS FROM THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE AND SHALL SERVE A ONE-YEAR TERM.

F. Appoint WPCA Representative to the Ad Hoc POCD Committee

MOVED (CHARTER), SECONDED (MILLER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPOINT DAN PARISI AS THE WPCA REPRESENTATIVE TO THE AD HOC PLAN OF CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE TO JULY 31, 2009, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE WPCA.

G. Appoint BOE Representative to Shared Services Commission:

MOVED (CHARTER), SECONDED (MILLER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPOINT DANIEL KEUNE AS THE BOARD OF EDUCATION REPRESENTATIVE TO THE SHARED SERVICES COMMISSION TO NOVEMBER 3, 2009, REPLACING FORMER REPRESENTATIVE, DALE ROBERSON, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

H. Annual Town Budget Meeting:

1. Recommend 5-year Road and Bridge Repair Plan:

Mr. Miller asked about the condition of Standish Road and the need for repair. Ms. Burstein said that she is familiar with this road and is not aware of any problem areas. The condition of Tripp Road was also questioned by Mr. Miller. Mr. Stupinski said that he will ask the Director of Public Works to review the inclusion of Standish Road in the 2010-2011 plan and Tripp Road in the 2013-2014 plan. Mr. Charter asked if this follows the standing approvals or is this at a higher rate. Mr. Stupinski noted that it is at a higher rate than what was approved in the budget for road overlay. Unless some of the LOCIP money can be applied, not all of this work will get done.

MOVED (CHARTER), SECONDED (MILLER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE TO THE FIVE-YEAR ROAD AND BRIDGE REPAIR PLAN, AS SUBMITTED BY THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, AND SEND TO ANNUAL TOWN BUDGET MEETING, FOR CONSIDERATION. **(Attached)**

2. Acceptance of BOE Prepaid Grants:

MOVED (CHARTER), SECONDED (MILLER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO RECOMMEND TO THE ANNUAL TOWN BUDGET MEETING THE ACCEPTANCE OF PREPAID GRANTS AND FUNDS FULLY REIMBURSABLE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON JULY 1, 2009 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2010, AND TO APPROPRIATE THE SAME TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION IN A SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$1,259,000, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARDS OF FINANCE AND EDUCATION. **(Attached)**

3. Payment of Real Estate, Personal Property and Automobile Tax:

Mr. Charter asked if this motion is a formality of bookkeeping and must stand as is, or if there is room for discussion and/or change to this motion. Mr. Stupinski said that he has not prepared an alternate recommendation and is comfortable with the recommendation of the Tax Collector. Mr. Charter asked that this be clarified at the next meeting and Mr. Stupinski said that he will look into this.

MOVED (CHARTER), SECONDED (MILLER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO SEND TO THE ANNUAL TOWN BUDGET MEETING TO DETERMINE WHETHER MUNICIPAL TAX SHALL BE PAID IN TWO (2) INSTALLMENTS FOR REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX IN EXCESS OF SIX HUNDRED (600) DOLLARS AND MOTOR VEHICLE TAX TO BE PAID IN ONE (1) INSTALLMENT WITH DESIGNATED DUE DATES AS STATED IN THE CONNECTICUT STATE STATUTES SECTIONS 12-142, 12-144, 12-144a AND PUBLIC ACT 77-343, SECTION 2 AND TO WAIVE ANY PROPERTY TAX DUE IN AN AMOUNT LESS THAN FIVE DOLLARS AS STATED IN

THE CONNECTICUT STATE STATUTES SECTION 12-144c, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE TAX COLLECTOR.

4. Send Budget to Town Meeting:

Mr. Stupinski presented the options of sending the budget to the Annual Town Budget Meeting with or without a referendum. He strongly advised that the budget go to referendum even though the effect will be an increase of less than one mill. The BOS agreed to include a referendum.

MOVED (CHARTER), SECONDED (MILLER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO SEND THE 2009-2010 BUDGET TO THE ANNUAL TOWN BUDGET MEETING ON TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2009, AT 8:00 P.M. PREVAILING TIME, AT THE ELLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL, TO BE ADJOURNED TO A REFERENDUM TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 19, 2009 FROM 6:00 A.M. TO 8:00 P.M., WITH ONE QUESTION:

Shall the Town of Ellington appropriate, as recommended and as allocated by the Board of Finance, the total sum for all expenditures, a/k/a budget grand total for the Fiscal Year 2009-2010, the sum of \$44,153,184?

5. Approval of Call for Annual Budget Meeting:

MOVED (CHARTER), SECONDED (MILLER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE CALL FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN BUDGET MEETING SCHEDULED FOR MAY 12, 2009, AS SUBMITTED IN THE DRAFT, WITH ADDITION AS VOTED ABOVE IN ITEM H-4. **(Attached)**

I. Award Contract – EVFD Aerial Ladder Truck:

Mr. Stupinski referred to a memo dated April 27, 2009 addressed to the Board of Selectmen from Mr. Turner as liaison to the EVFD requesting this agenda item be moved to the May meeting. This agenda item was deferred to the May 18, 2009 BOS Meeting.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: So noted.

VII. SELECTMEN COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A. Personnel Committee:
 - 1. Resignations: none
 - 2. Recommended Appointments:

MOVED (MILLER), SECONDED (TURNER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO RECOMMEND TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN THE REAPPOINTMENT OF JONATHAN ALLEN AND DIANE O'HAGAN TO THE INSURANCE ADVISORY BOARD FOR A FOUR-YEAR TERM TO APRIL 30, 2013.

- B. Other: None

VIII. SELECTMEN LIAISON REPORTS: None

IX. FIRST SELECTMAN'S REPORT:

Mr. Stupinski referred to a handout that had been distributed at the start of the meeting from Don Davis, Director, Ellington Office of Emergency Management, regarding the Community Emergency Response Team and the progress they've made. Mr. Stupinski commended the group on a great job. He urged the Selectmen to read the update and pointed out the news article on the reverse side highlighting the diploma ceremony. Mr. Davis noted that in the near future, there will be 37 trained individuals. The class will end May 30th and the graduation will be held shortly after. Mr. Stupinski added that he was very pleased with the interest and commitment from the public.

Mr. Stupinski reported that the Town is in the process of purchasing assistive equipment for residents who are hearing impaired to utilize for Town meetings. This equipment will accommodate up to four hearing impaired individuals at once, and can be expanded to accommodate more, should it become necessary. It is anticipated that the cost of this equipment, including the protective case, will be approximately \$1,200 to \$1,250.

X. CORRESPONDENCE: none

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

This agenda item was deferred to the May 18, 2009 BOS Meeting.


X. ADJOURNMENT:

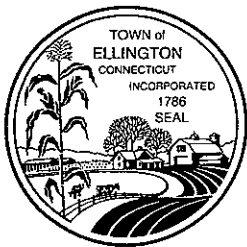
MOVED (MILLER), SECONDED (CHARTER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO
ADJOURN THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN AT 8:18 P.M.

Submitted by


LouAnn Cannella

Approved by


Michael P. Stupinski



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LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF ELLINGTON Monday, April 27, 2009

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing on Monday, April 27, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. prevailing time at the Crystal Lake School cafeteria for the purpose of allowing citizens to comment upon the following:

Application of the Crystal Lake Sailing Club for a regatta permit, permitting sailboat racing series and regattas on Crystal Lake on the dates and times as follows:

Between the hours of noon and 3:00 p.m. every Sunday from June 7, 2009 through October 11, 2009.

Interested citizens are invited to attend and comment upon this application for a regatta permit.

DATED at Ellington, Connecticut, this 7th day of April, 2009.

BY ORDER OF THE
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Michael P. Stupinski
First Selectman

Journal Inquirer – 4/20/09

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V-H-1

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

RECONSTRUCTION AND OVERLAY

F. Y. 2009-10 (Total Reconstruction)

	<u>Mileage</u>	<u>Linear Feet</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Orchard Street	.50	2,640	\$ 184,800
Walnut Street	.13	687	48,090
North Park St	.27	1,430	100,100
Chestnut Street	.18	951	66,570
Lyons Street	.08	425	29,750
Total	1.16	6,133	\$ 429,310

F.Y. 2010-11 (Total Reconstruction)

	<u>Mileage</u>	<u>Linear Feet</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Charter Rd	.53	2,799	\$ 195,930
Standish Rd	.56	2,957	206,990
Ertle Rd	.04	212	14,840
Middle Butcher Rd	.71	3,749	262,416
Total	1.84	9,717	\$ 680,176

F.Y. 2011-12 (Total Reconstruction)

	<u>Mileage</u>	<u>Linear Feet</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Ellington Ave	1.52	2,667	\$ 213,360
Pinnacle Rd	1.96	3,438	275,040
Laurel Rd	.20	378	30,240
Cider Mill Rd	.74	1,398	111,840
Total	4.42	7,881	\$ 630,480

F.Y. 2012-13 (2" Overlay)

Frog Hollow Rd	1.98	3,740	\$ 299,200
Middle Rd	1.96	3,737	298,960
Crane Rd	1.23	2,323	185,840
Broadbrook Rd	.87	1,643	131,440
Total	6.04	11,443	\$ 915,440

F.Y. 2013-14 (2" Overlay)

	<u>Mileage</u>	<u>Tonnage</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Windsorville Rd	1.43	2,315	\$ 185,236
Grant Rd	.28	492	39,292
Tripp Rd	1.31	2,298	183,833
Abbott Rd (From FrogHollow to Middle)	<u>.33</u>	<u>579</u>	<u>46,309</u>
	3.35	5,684	\$ 454,670

V-H-2



Ellington Public Schools

"Where Children Come First"

Stephen C. Cullinan
Superintendent of Schools

Nancy E. Daley
Administrative Assistant

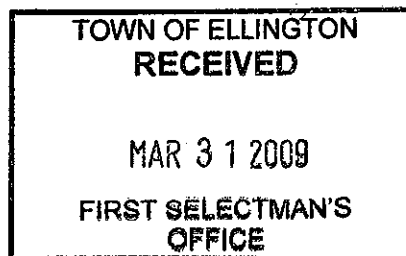
Bruce E. Brettschneider
Director of Special Services

Erin K. McGurk, Ed.D.
Director of Educational Services

Anthony P. Littizzio
Director of Business Services

March 31, 2009

Mr. Michael Stupinski
First Selectman
Town of Ellington
55 Main Street
Ellington, CT 06029



Dear Mr. Stupinski:

The Ellington Board of Education, at its regular meeting on March 25, 2009, unanimously approved the following motion:

"To recommend to the Annual Town Budget Meeting acceptance of prepaid grants and funds fully reimbursable for the fiscal year commencing on July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010, and to appropriate the same to the Board of Education in a sum estimated at \$1,259,000 of which the individual grants are estimated to be as follows:

2009-2010
Prepaid Grants and Funds

GRANT

ESTIMATE

Title I: Part A: Improving Basic Programs	\$100,000
Funds are targeted to improve achievement in reading and mathematics with grant entitlements based on family income indicators.	
Title II: Part A: Teacher and Principal Training and Recruiting	\$ 54,000
Supports increased student achievement by improving teacher and administrator quality and increasing the number of highly qualified teachers.	

Title II: Part D: Enhancing Education Through Technology Supports effective use of technology to improve student learning.	\$ 500
Title IV: Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities Act Funds are targeted to support programs that prevent violence and foster a safe and drug-free learning environment.	\$ 3,400
IDEA: Part B: Section 611 Special Education Entitlement Individuals with Disabilities Education Act Designed to provide funds for the education of disabled children.	\$ 365,000
IDEA: Part B: Section 611- "ARRA Funds" Additional funds received for this two-year grant through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. These funds are recommended to expand learning time; increase capacity; provide professional development or technical assistance; or provide direct special education or related services to students and parents.	\$ 439,000
IDEA: Part B: Section 619 A Preschool Entitlement Designed to provide funds for the education of disabled children, ages three to five.	\$ 12,000
IDEA: Part B: Section 619 A Preschool Entitlement "ARRA Funds" Additional funds received for this two-year grant through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. These funds are recommended for early childhood programs and activities and to coordinate early intervention services.	\$ 16,100
Adult Education Matching state funds that help fulfill Ellington's legal obligations related to Adult Basic Education, the High School Adult Credit Diploma Program, the External Diploma Program, and GED Preparation Classes through the Vernon Regional Adult Ed. Program.	\$ 36,000
Perkins- Career & Technology Grant Funds are used to purchase equipment and support for career and technology programs.	\$ 20,000
Open Choice Funds Funds are used to offset magnet school tuition payments required by Parent Choice legislation.	\$ 65,000

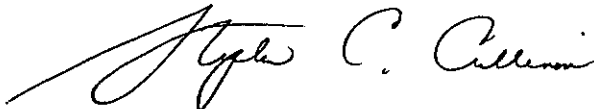
Summer Programs \$ 29,000
Fees paid by parents to allow their children to
attend self-funded summer programs.

Preschool Tuition Funds \$ 44,000
Fees paid by parents of "typical peer students" attending
the district's special education reverse mainstream
preschool program.

Other federal and state prepaid grants which might
be applied for. \$ 75,000

TOTAL **\$1,259,000**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen C. Cullinan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Stephen" being more prominent.

Stephen C. Cullinan
Superintendent of Schools

cc: Nicholas DiCorleto

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WARNING

NOTICE OF ANNUAL TOWN BUDGET MEETING TOWN OF ELLINGTON May 12, 2009

Electors and citizens qualified to vote in Town Meetings are hereby notified that the Annual Town Budget Meeting of the Town of Ellington will be held on Tuesday, May 12, 2009 at 8:00 p.m., prevailing time, at the Ellington High School, 37 Maple Street, for the following purposes:

1. To consider, and if deemed advisable, to adopt, pursuant to CGS Sec. 13a-99, a plan for repair of town roads and bridges for a period not exceeding five (5) years as recommended by the Board of Selectmen.
2. To accept, as recommended by the Boards of Education, Finance and Selectmen, prepaid grants and funds fully reimbursable for the Fiscal Year commencing on July 1, 2009 and ending on June 30, 2010, and to appropriate the same to the Board of Education in a sum not to exceed \$1,259,000 the allocation for which is on file in the Town Clerk's office.
3. To determine whether municipal tax shall be paid in two (2) installments for real estate and personal property tax in excess of six hundred (600) dollars and motor vehicle tax to be paid in one (1) installment with designated due dates as stated in the Connecticut State Statutes, Sections 12-142, 12-144, 12-144a and Public Act 77-343, Section 2 and to waive any property tax due in an amount less than five dollars as stated in the Connecticut State Statutes, Section 12-144c, as recommended by Tax Collector.
4. **To be determined by BOS – Item V-H #4 of the agenda.**

Dated at Ellington, Connecticut, this 28th day of April, 2009.

BY ORDER OF THE
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Michael P. Stupinski
First Selectman

The five-year road and bridge plan, Board of Education prepaid grants, and 2009-2010 proposed town budget are on file in the Town Clerk's office.

Journal Inquirer – May 6, 2009

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